

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2814

Attorney Docket No. 5308-311

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Gerald H. Negley et al. Confirmation No.: 4336  
Application Serial No.: 10/659,108 Group Art Unit: 2814  
Filed: September 9, 2003 Examiner: Thao X. Le  
For: SOLID METAL BLOCK MOUNTING SUBSTRATES FOR SEMICONDUCTOR LIGHT  
EMITTING DEVICES

June 5, 2006

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 35 USC § 134, 37 CFR § 41.31, and MPEP § 1205, the Applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final Office Action dated May 10, 2006, at least twice rejecting or finally rejecting Claims 3, 5, 9-15, 17, 18 and 29-44.

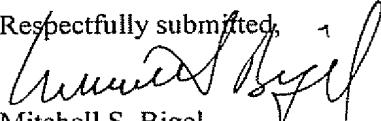
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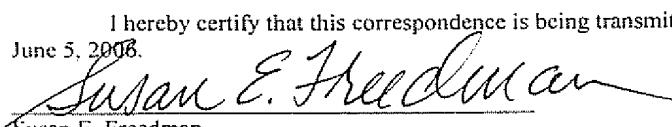
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